

DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE
No 196/2020

of 11 December 2020

**amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the
EEA Agreement**

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (“the EEA Agreement”), and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/916 of 1 July 2020 authorising the extension of use of xylo-oligosaccharides as a novel food under Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470¹ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/973 of 6 July 2020 authorising a change of the conditions of use of the novel food ‘protein extract from pig kidneys’ and amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470² is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (3) This Decision concerns legislation regarding foodstuffs. Legislation regarding foodstuffs shall not apply to Liechtenstein as long as the application of the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on trade in agricultural products is extended to Liechtenstein, as specified in the introduction to Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement. This Decision is therefore not to apply to Liechtenstein.
- (4) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Chapter XII of Annex II to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The following indents are added in point 124b (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470):
 - ‘- **32020 R 0916**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/916 of 1 July 2020 (OJ L 209, 2.7.2020, p. 6),
 - **32020 R 0973**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/973 of 6 July 2020 (OJ L 215, 7.7.2020, p. 7).’

¹ OJ L 209, 2.7.2020, p. 6.

² OJ L 215, 7.7.2020, p. 7.

2. The following points are inserted after point 178 (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/500):

‘179. **32020 R 0916**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/916 of 1 July 2020 authorising the extension of use of xylo-oligosaccharides as a novel food under Regulation (EU) 2015/2283 of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 (OJ L 209, 2.7.2020, p. 6).

180. **32020 R 0973**: Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/973 of 6 July 2020 authorising a change of the conditions of use of the novel food ‘protein extract from pig kidneys’ and amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2470 (OJ L 215, 7.7.2020, p. 7).’

Article 2

The texts of Implementing Regulations (EU) 2020/916 and (EU) 2020/973 in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on 12 December 2020, provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made*.

Article 4

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 11 December 2020.

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

Sabine Monauni

*The Secretaries
To the EEA Joint Committee*

Hege M. Hoff

Mikołaj Karłowski

* No constitutional requirements indicated.